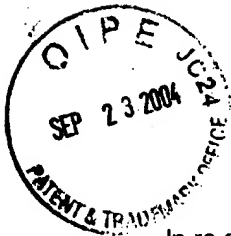


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PETITION TO REVIVE AN UNINTENTIONALLY ABANDONED PATENT
APPLICATION UNDER 37 CFR 1.137(a)

Applicant hereby petitions, through his undersigned attorney, that the above-identified patent application be revived and reinstated. This application was unintentionally abandoned by failure to respond to the Notice of Allowance and Fee(s) Due, the entire delay from the date for the reply until the present was unintentional.

Please charge the applicable fee required under 35 CFR 1.17(m) for this petition to Shell Oil Company, Deposit Account No. 19-1800.

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